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Chapter I

Matters calling for action by the Economic and Social Council or brought to its attention

A. Draft decisions recommended by the Forum for adoption by the Economic and Social Council

1. The Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft decisions:

[Draft decisions will be added.]

B. Matters brought to the attention of the Council

2. The Forum has identified the proposals, objectives, recommendations and areas of possible future action set out below and, through the Council, recommends that States, United Nations system and intergovernmental organizations, indigenous peoples, the private sector and non-governmental organizations assist in their realization.

3. It is the understanding of the Secretariat that the proposals, objectives, recommendations and areas of possible future action to be carried out by the United Nations as set out below will be implemented to the extent that resources from the regular budget and extrabudgetary resources are available.

[Recommendations will be added.]

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Chapter II
Introduction

1. The Forum held its first session at United Nations Headquarters from 13 to 24 May 2002 and submitted its report to the Council.[1]

2. The Forum held its second session at United Nations Headquarters from 12 to 23 May 2003.[2]

3. The Forum held its third session at United Nations Headquarters from 10 to 21 May 2004.[3]

4. By its decision 2004/288, the Council decided that the fourth session of the Forum would be held at United Nations Headquarters from 16 to 27 May 2005.

Chapter III
Special theme: "Millennium Development Goals and indigenous peoples"

A. Goal 1 of the Millennium Development Goals: Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger

1. At its 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and _th meetings, on 16, 17, 18 and 27 May 2005, the Forum considered agenda item 3 (a), Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger, addressed under the following thematic approach of combating poverty: good practices and barriers to implementation.

2. At the 2nd meeting, on 16 May, presentations were made by Louise Arbour, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Mark Malloch-Brown, UNDP Administrator and Chair of the United Nations Development Group, and Jeffrey Sachs, Special Advisor to the Secretary-General and Director of the Millennium Project.

3. Also at the same meeting, the Forum engaged in an interactive dialogue, and interventions were made by the following members of the Forum: Parshuram Tamang, Wilton Littlechild, Aqqaluk Lynge, Nina Pacari Vega, Pavel Sulyandziga, Hassan Id Balkassm, William Langeveldt, Ida Nicolaisen, Michael Dodson, Eduardo Aguilar de Almeida and Otilia Lux de Coti.

4. At the same meeting, statements were also made by the representatives of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the International Labour Organization (ILO), the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat), the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the World Bank and the Inter-American Development Bank (IADB).

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[1] See *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2002, Supplement No. 23* (E/2002/43/Rev.1).

[2] Ibid., *2003, Supplement No. 23* (E/2003/43).

[3] Ibid., *2004, Supplement No. 23* (E/2004/43).

5. At its 3rd meeting, on 17 May, the Forum continued its discussion on the item and an interactive dialogue was conducted among the following agencies: the World Bank, ILO, UNDP, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), and UNESCO, and the following members of the Forum: Parshuram Tamang, Wilton Littlechild, Yuri Boychenko, Qin Xiaomei, Nina Pacari Vega, Ida Nicolaisen, Liliane Muzangi Mbela, Hassan Id Balkassm, Merike Kokajev, Pavel Sulyandziga, William Langenveldt, Aqqaluk Lynge, and Otilia Lux de Coti.

6. At the 4th meeting, statements were made by the following representatives of indigenous people's organizations and Member States: Canada, Greece, the Russian Federation, Australia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Norway, Finland, Brazil, Spain, The Rapanui Parliament and Council of Chief, Tavini Hui Raatira — No Te Ao Maohi French Polynesia, Bougainville Autonomus Government, The Pacific Concerns Resource Center, The Indigenous World Association, The Koani Foundation, World Council of Churches, Pacific, Nauru Island Association, Turanga, Tuvanauta Komiuntie, Comisión Juridica para el Autodesarrollo de los Pueblos Originarios Andinos (CAPAJ), Land is Life, International Indigenous Women's Forum, Asia Caucus, Native Women's Association of Canada, Caribbean and Antilles Indigenous Peoples Caucus and Diaspora, Asociación de la Juventud Indígena de Argentina, Rongmei Women Organization, Khmers Kampuchea-Krom Federation, Yamasee Native American, International League for Human Rights, Defensoria de los Pueblos Indígenas en America, Zo Reunification Organization, Cowichan Tribes/Hulquminum Mustimumuhw, Seventh Generation Fund/American Indian Law, Committee on Indigenous Health of the Indigenous Peoples Caucus.

7. At its 5th meeting, on 18 May, the Forum continued its consideration of agenda item 3 (a) and statements were made by representatives of the following organizations, bodies and specialized agencies, as well as representatives of the following: IFAD, the Millennium Ecosystem Assessment, Venezuela, the International Alliance of Indigenous and Tribal Peoples of the Tropical Forests, Nepal Tamang Ghedung, Indonesia, the Chairman of the United Nations Forum on Forests, Denmark, Arctic Caucus, Viet Nam, Maya Vision, American Indian Law Alliance, Mexico, Pacific Caucus, Caucus de Mujeres Indígenas, ONGTchichitt, ONG GASF, ONG Tounfa, IWGIA, Indigenous Caucus, Asian Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Network — Na Koa Ikaika Kalahui-Hawaii, Indian Treaty Council, The Confederacy of Treaty of Six First Nations and Frente por la Democracia y el Desarrollo, Coalición Campesina Indígena del Istmo, South Asia Indigenous Women Forum, Tunaga Nation, Indigenous Environment Network, Indigenous Peoples Council on Biocolonialism, Consejo de Pueblos Nahuas del Alto Balsas Guerrero, A.C., Comité Intertribal de Memoria y Ciencia Indígena de Brasil, Fundación Indoamerica (Mexico), CAPAJ (Peru), Consultoria de los Pueblos Indígenas en el Norte de Mexico, CITI, and Land is Life.

8. At the same meeting, the Chairperson made a statement and the following members of the Forum also made statements: Parshuram Tamang, Eduardo Aguiar de Almeida, Aqqaluk Lynge, Wilton Littlechild, and Nina Pacari Vega.

B. Goal 2 of the Millennium Development Goals: Achieve universal primary education

9. At its 6th, 7th, 8th and _th meetings, on 19, 20 and 27 May, the Forum considered item 3 (b), "Achieve universal primary education", to be addressed under the thematic approaches of language, cultural perspective and traditional knowledge.

10. At its 6th meeting, on 19 May, the Forum considered item 3 (b) and heard statements by the following representatives of specialized agencies of the Inter-Agency Support Group: UNICEF, the World Bank, UNESCO, UNHCHR and ILO.

11. At the same meeting, the following members of the Forum also made statements: Eduardo Aguiar de Almeida, Hassan Id Balkassm, William Langeveldt, Nina Pacari Vega, Yuri Boychenko, Pavel Sulyandziga, Parshuram Tamang, Wilton Littlechild, and Merike Kokajev.

12. Also at the same meeting, the Forum heard statements by the following observers: Canada, Fundo Indigeno, Parlamento Indígena de América, The Koani Foundation, Waikiki Hawaiian Civic Clubs, Na Koa Ikaika o Ka Lahui Hawaii, Seventh Generation Fund, International Institute for the Study and Preservation of Aboriginal Peoples, Threatened (TIPs), India Confederation of Indigenous and Tribal Peoples, Tugara Nation, Pacific Caucus, Asia Caucus, and Tlahtlokan Nahuacalli.

13. At the 7th meeting, on 19 May, comments and statements were made by representatives of the following organizations, bodies and specialized agencies, as well as representatives of the following Member States: Norway, The Akha Heritage Foundation, Guatemala, Arctic Caucus, The International Alliance of Indigenous and Tribal Peoples of the Tropical Forests, Ethnic Minority and Indigenous Rights Organization of Africa, Parlamento Andino, Bangladesh Indigenous Peoples Forum, FEINE, CONMIE, Fundación Guamán Poma de Ayala, Fundación Luz y Vida, Comunidad Kichwa de Sarayaku, Fundación Manuel Naula, Fundación Educativa Comunidad Integradora del Saber Andino-CISA, Fundación Andes-Chinchansuyo, Pueblo Salasaca, Enlace Continental de Mujeres Indígenas Regio Sud America, Warã Instituto Indígena Brasileiro, Conclave de Mujeres Indígenas de Brasil, American Law Alliance, Native Women's Association of Canada (NWAC), Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, Assembly of First Nations, Khmers Kampuchea-Krom Federation, Saulteau First Nations, Asian Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Network, Indigenous Peoples Caucus of the Greater Caribbean, Inuit Circumpolar Youth Council, Servicio en Comunicación Intercultural (Servindi), Dewan Adat Papua, International Native Tradition Interchange, Inc., John Jay Collage Historical Memory Project, Nacionalidad Zapara, Land is Life, Pacific Caucus, Brazilian Indigenous Institute for Intellectual Property, Hmong World Peoples Congress, Retrieve Foundation, Hmong ChaoFa Indigenous Confederation and Tribal Peoples of North Laos, Ka Lahui Hawaii, Peace Campaign Group, South Asia Indigenous Women's Forum, World Council of Churches, Comarce Ngobe Bugle Regional de Nedrini, Nepal Federation of Indigenous Nationalities, Karenni Student Union, Caribbean Antilles Indigenous Peoples and the Diaspora.

14. At the 8th meeting, on 20 May, on Millennium Development Goal 2: item 3 (b), Achieve universal primary education, statements and comments were made by representatives of the following organizations, specialized agencies and Member

States: Joham — India, Indian Confederation of Indigenous and Tribal Peoples (India), Indonesia, Yamassee Native Americans She-Clan, Guyana, Newa Day Darbo, Mexico, Asociación Nacional Indígena Salvadoreña (ANIS), World Bank, Organización Indígena Aymara "Taypi Ceqe", United Association of Khmer Kampuchea Krom Budhist Monks, Consejo Indio de Sud America, Indigenous Youth Caucus, Movement for Survival of the Ogoni People (MOSOP), North American Caucus, International Indian Treaty Council, Indigenous Environmental Network, World Council of Churches, FAIRA Conservation International, Habitat Pro Association, Pueblo Kechua de Tauria (Peru), Indigenous organisations from Chile, Corporación de Mujeres Mapuche "Aukinko Zomo", and the Caucus of African Indigenous People.

Action taken by the Forum

15. At its _th meeting, on 27 May, the Forum adopted its recommendations under item 3 of its agenda (see chap. I, sect. B).

Chapter IV
Ongoing priorities and themes

A. Human rights

1. At its 9th, 10th, 11th and _th meetings, on 23, 24 and 27 May 2005, the Forum considered agenda item 4 (a) Ongoing priorities and themes: human rights with special emphasis on an interactive dialogue with the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of the human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people.

2. At the 9th meeting, a statement was made by the Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people.

3. Statements were made by representatives of the following organizations and countries: Asian Caucus, Pacific Caucus, Fiji, African Caucus, Assembly of First Nations, Native Women's Association of Canada (NWAC), the Inuit Council, Seventh Generation Fund, American Indian Law Alliance, Indian Treaty Council, the Confederacy of Treaty Six First Nations Indigenous Environmental Network, International Organization of Indigenous Resource Development, Frente por la Democracia y el Desarrollo Coalición Campesina Indígena del Istmo, Enlace Continental de Mujeres Indígenas Regio Sud America, the O'odham VOICE Against the WALL-Traditional O'Odham Communities — US/Mexico, United Association of Khmer Kampuchea-Krom, Hmong International Human Rights Watch, Russian Association of Indigenous Peoples of the North — RAIPON, Russian Association of the Finno-Ugric Peoples, International Alliance of Indigenous and Tribal Peoples, Green Peoples Environmental Network, FEINE, CONMIE, Fundación Guamán Poma de Ayala, Fundación Luz y Vida, Comunidad Kichwa de Sarayaku, Fundación Manuel Naula, Fundacion Educativa Comunidad Integradora del Saber Andino — CISA, Fundación Andes-Chinchansuyo, Junta Parroquial Salasaca, Bagladesh Adivasi Forum, Parbatya Chattagram Jana Samhati Samiti, Peace Campaign Group, CIPRAD, Jumma Peoples' Network, Garo Women Association, World Adivasi Council, Indian Confederation of Indigenous and Tribal

Peoples, Johar, Grand Council of the Crees/Inuit Circumpolar Conference, and Na Koa Ikaika Ka Lahui Hawaii.

4. Statements were made by the Chairperson of the Working Group on Indigenous Populations, and by the representative of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR).

5. Statements were also made by the following members of the Permanent Forum: Hassan Id Balkassm, Wilton Littlechild, Parsharam Tamang, Otilia Lux de Coti, Nina Pacari Vega, and Aqqaluk Lynge.

B. Item 4 (b): Data collection and the disaggregation of data on indigenous peoples

Item 4 (c): Follow-up to previous special themes: "Indigenous children and youth" (2003) and "Indigenous women" (2004)

6. At its 10th, 11th and _th meetings, on 23, 24 and 27 May, the Forum considered items 4 (b) and (c).

7. At the 10th meeting, on 23 May, statements were made by representatives of the Statistics Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and the secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity.

8. Representatives of the following countries and organizations also made statements: Nepal, Bagladesh Adivasi Forum, Parbatya Chattagram Jana Samhati Samiti, Peace Campaign Group, CIPRAD, Jumma Peoples' Network, Garo Women Association, Chile, Enlace Continental de Mujeres Indígenas Regio Sud America (Indigenous Children), Coordinadora Nacional de Mujeres Indígenas del Estado Brasileiro (CONAMI-Brazil)/Enlace Indigenous Women, Russian Association of the Finno-Ugric Peoples, Asociación de Cabildos Indígenas del Norte del Cauca, Pacific Caucus, Youth Caucus, Indigenous Children Caucus/CORE Manipur — Indigenous Children, Bangladesh Indigenous Peoples Organisations — Jumma Peoples Network Indigenous Women, Assembly of First Nations Women's Council — Indigenous Women, Caribbean Antilles Indigenous Peoples Caucus and Diaspora, University of Toronto, Khmers Kampuchea-Krom Federation — Indigenous Women, Partnership for Indigenous Peoples Environment, Consejo Indió de Sud America (CISA), Movimiento Indígena del Perú, and United Native Nations Truth Network and Voice Confederation.

9. Also at the same meeting, statements were also made by the following members of the Permanent Forum: Parsharam Tamang, Ida Nicolaisen, Aqqaluk Lynge, Wilton Littlechild, Nina Pacari Vega, and Otilia Lux de Coti.

10. At its 11th meeting, on 24 May, statements were made by representatives of the following organizations and countries: Canada, Native Women's Association of Canada, ENLACE, Rights and Democracy, Australia, South Asia Indigenous Women's Forum, Bangladesh, Yaaku Peoples Association, Nepal, Consejo de Todas las Tierras, Viet Nam, Colombia, Indonesia, Nepal Federation of Indigenous Nationalities, Proyecto de la Memoria Histórica, Armenian Sisters, Indigenous Peoples Caucus of the Greater Caribbean, Consejo Indio de Sud America,

CISA/Asociación Nacional Indígena Salvadoreña ANIS, Asociación para la Nutrición, El Desarrollo, Educación y Salud Andes Perú, Movement for the Survival of the Ogoni People and the National Youth Council of the Ogoni People, Comisión Juridica para el Autodesarollo de los Pueblos Originarios Andinos CAPAJ, Taypi Ceqe, Khmers Kampuchea Krom Federation, Latin American Caucus, Ka Lahui Hawai'i Caucus, Sami Council, Asociación de Mujeres Waorani de la Amazonia Ecuatoriana, Ainu Association of Hokkaido, Shimin Gaikou Centre, Southern Chiefs Organisation, Partnership for Indigenous Peoples Environment, Caucus Inmigración desplasamientos de los pueblos indígenas/Coordinadora Nacional de Desplasados y Communidades Indígenas en Reconstrución del Perú, Congress of Aboriginal Peoples, Inuit Circumpolar Youth Council, Peache Campaign Group, Asia Indigenous Peoples Pact, United Confederation of Towns People, Defensoria de los Pueblos Indígenos en America, Movimiento Indígeno Pachacute, Movimiento Indígeno del Perú.

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Action taken by the Forum

11. At its _th meeting, on 27 May, the Forum, adopted the draft recommendations submitted under agenda items 4 (a), (b), and (c) (see chap. I, sect. B).

Chapter VI
Future work of the Forum

1. At its 8th, 12th and _th meetings, on 20, 25 and 27 May, the Forum considered item 5 Future work of the Forum.

2. At the 8th meeting, on 20 May, the Under-Secretary-General of the Department for Economic and Social Affairs made a presentation on the Second International Decade of the World's Indigenous People, which was followed by an interactive dialogue between the Under-Secretary-General and the following members of the Permanent Forum: Otilia Lux de Coti, Aqqaluk Lynge, Nina Pacari Vega, William Langeveldt, Pavel Sulyandziga, Hassan Id Balkassm, Michael Dodson, Ida Nicolaisen, Wilton Littlechild, and Yuri Boychenko.

[To be completed.]

Chapter VII
Draft agenda for the fifth session of the Forum

[To be completed.]

Chapter VIII
Adoption of the report of the Forum on its fourth session

1. At the _th meeting, on 27 May, the Rapporteur introduced the draft report of the Forum on its fourth session (E/C.19/2005/L.__).

2. At the same meeting, the Forum adopted its report on its fourth session.

Chapter IX
Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Forum held its fourth session at United Nations Headquarters from 16 to 27 May 2005. It held __ formal meetings to consider items on the agenda and four informal meetings for consultations among members of the Forum.

2. At the 1st meeting, on 16 May, the session was opened by the Assistant Secretary-General and Special Adviser on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women. During the inauguration ceremony, the Ceremonial Leader and Holy Man from the SHIPAVLOVI HOPI Community in Second Mesa, Arizona, United States of America, offered words of blessing to the Forum.

3. At the same meeting, statements were made by the Deputy Secretary-General, the Acting President of the General Assembly, the Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, and the Assistant Secretary-General and Special Adviser on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women.

4. At the same meeting, a statement was made by Victoria Tauli-Corpuz, Chairperson of the Forum.

B. Attendance

5. Members of the Forum and representatives of Governments, United Nations bodies and intergovernmental organizations, as well as of non-governmental organizations and indigenous organizations, attended the session. The list of participants is contained in annex I.

C. Election of officers

6. At its 1st meeting, on 16 May, the Forum elected the following members of the Bureau by acclamation:

Chairperson:
Victoria Tauli-Corpuz

Vice-Chairpersons:
Hassan Id Balkassm
Otilia Lux de Coti
Ida Nicolaisen
Pavel Sulyandziga

Rapporteur:
Michael Dodson

D. Agenda

7. At its 1st meeting, on 16 May, the Forum adopted the provisional agenda contained in document E/C.19/2005/1.

E. Documentation

8. The documents before the Forum at its fourth session are listed in annex II to the present report.